Taxes same in borough's final budget

By ANN POEPPERLING Post Correspondent

At their regular meeting Thursday evening, Dallas Borough Council approved the 1996 budget of \$630,449 which holds the line on all borough taxes from last year, including the property tax, which remains at 20 mills.

The largest sources of revenue are the earned income tax, which will bring in \$256,000, half of which is shared with the Dallas School District, and real estate taxes, which will net \$152,000.

The largest personnel salary increases benefit the police department, with officers receiving a \$1,000 raise across the board.

In the police report, William Peiffer proposed hiring two parttime police officers, Paul Joseph Feeney of Larksville and David Allen Rinehimer of Shavertown.

According to police chief Jack Fowler, the part-timers are needed to replace officer Martin Maransky who recently resigned to accept a full-time position with another municipality, and officer Ronald Chupas, who will be off the job for an unknown length of time due to an injury received while on duty.

Council approved hiring the part-time officers on a conditional probationary period at a rate of

\$8.50 per hour.

In other business, borough manager Milton Lutsey received a letter from PennDOT district traffic engineers which indicates that according to traffic counts, a traffic signal may be necessary between the Dallas Shopping Cenand Orloski's on Route 309.

Both developers were approached, the letter states and were receptive to paying for the installation of a traffic signal, which may cost as much as \$50,000, according to Lutsey.

However, should Dallas Borough be responsible for maintaining the proposed traffic signal, it could be "an absolute disaster" according to borough solicitor Ted Krohn because "there's always a liability involved," adding that he's not against the idea. The fourway traffic at the intersection of Route 309 and the two shopping areas as well as the timing of the light with other nearby traffic signals could be quite complex.

Generally, the borough pays for the maintenance contract and electrical service of all traffic lights in the borough, according to Lutsey, while PennDOT installs the

Council tabled the plan for further discussion with developers and PennDOT at next month's meeting.

Soup/salad supper at Mt. Zion church

The Mt. Zion United Methodist Church will have the January allyou-can-eat soup and salad supper Jan. 5 from 5 to 7 p.m. There will be several homemade soups and salads to choose from. Charge is \$4 for adults and \$3.50 for children. The public is welcome.



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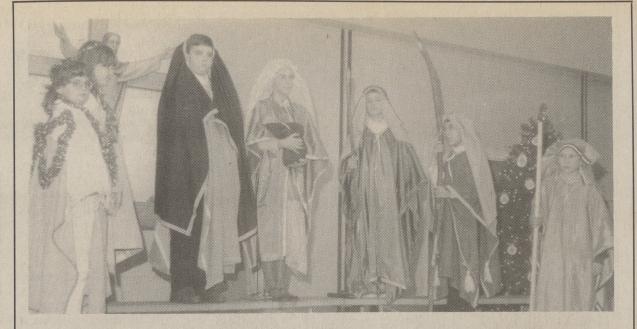
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In right photo, Laura Fauerbach, Amanda Hayes, Alyssa Daniels and Courtney Dombrowski played the tone chimes. POST PHOTOS/GRACE R. DOVE



No New Year's Day trash pickup at Lake

Harveys Lake Borough announces there will be no pickup of garbage or recycling Monday, January 1, 1996. The garbage and recycling will be picked up on Tuesday, January 2, 1996.

Harveys Lake Borough Office will be closed the week of December 25, 1995 and will reopen on Tuesday, January 2, 1996.

Office closed for New Year's

The office of The Dallas Post will be closed all day Monday, January 1 for the New Year's holiday. Deadline for all news and advertising for the Jan. 3 issue is Friday, Dec. 29 at 4 p.m. Items may be left after hours in the deposit box at the front of the office. The office will re-open at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 2.

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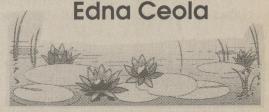
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